

**INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY
MEETING MINUTES**

JUNE 20, 2005

PRESENT: Ken Braga, Kim Flannery, Adam Barber, and Alternates Steven Hoffman and Jean Burns

ABSENT: Margo Wheeler, Donald McConnell, Christine Murphy, Sanford Cohen

STAFF

PRESENT: Robert Phillips, ZEO and Kristin Michaud, Recording Secretary

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Braga called the Inland Wetlands Agency (IWA) meeting to order at 7:33 PM at the Ellington Town Hall Annex, 57 Main Street, Ellington, CT and read the legal notice into record.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. #IW200507 – Pioneer Builders of Ellington, Inc. for a Permit to Conduct Regulated Activity for a 49 unit Age Restricted Cluster Housing development on properties located at 22 Maple Street, APN 073-014-0000 & 58 Maple Street, APN 073-017-0000. (Continued from the May 16, 2005 meeting)

TIME: 7:34

SEATED: K. Flannery, K. Braga, J. Burns, S. Hoffman, A. Barber

Chairman Braga read letter to Inland Wetland Commission from Jim Thompson dated 6-09-05.

Attorney Solomon Kerensky, Kahan, Kerensky, & Capossela, came forward for the applicant. He reviewed the plan with the commission. He explained that there is a low level of Wetlands on the property .25 acres.

Andy Carrier, Fuss & O'Neill, Inc, reviewed changes in the plan to accommodate Jim Thompson's memo dated 5-16-05. He also reviewed where the Wetlands are on the property and how they will be enhancing the Wetlands to a 2 to 1 ratio.

Several members of the public expressed their opinion on the application.

MOVED (HOFFMAN), SECONDED (BARBER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR #IW200507 – PIONEER BUILDERS OF ELLINGTON, INC.

MOVED (HOFFMAN), SECONDED (BARBER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE WITH CONDITIONS #IW200507 – PIONEER BUILDERS OF ELLINGTON, INC.

CONDITIONS: 1) THE SPLIT RAIL FENCE (WHICH MUST BE LOCATED 5 FEET AWAY FROM WETLANDS), CONSTRUCTION FENCE AND SILT FENCE MUST BE INSTALLED AROUND WETLANDS BEFORE SITE WORK CAN BEGIN; 2) APPLICANT MUST SUBMIT A PESTICIDE APPLICATION MANAGEMENT PLAN TO THE INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY; AND 3) SEWER DAM STOPS MUST BE INSTALLED WHERE NECESSARY TO STOP WATER DRAINAGE FROM WETLANDS.

THE AGENCY REVIEWED ITEMS #IW200514 & #IW200514 TOGETHER.

2. #IW200515 – Development Services for a Wetland map amendment on properties located on Windermere Avenue, APN 017-024-0000 & 018-003-0000.
3. #IW200514 – Development Services for a Permit to Conduct Regulated Activity within an Area of Influence for grading associated with construction of Age Restricted Cluster Housing Development on properties located on Windermere Avenue, APN 017-024-0000 & 018-003-0000.

TIME: 8:45

SEATED: K. Flannery, K. Braga, J. Burns, S. Hoffman, A. Barber

Chairman Braga read Jim Thompson's memo dated 6-17-05.

Attorney Walter Twachtman, reviewed the application with the commission. He explained there is 41.7 acres of land on the property and that there are no wetlands on the property.

Andy Green, Professional Engineer, went over wetland pockets, reviewed green space and many trails on the property.

William Root, Soil Scientist, reviewed where the wetlands are on the property.

Attorney Walter Twachtman read a letter from Trueb Associates, LLC to Development Services, LLC dated, 1/25/05 and a letter to Trueb Associates, LLC from Walter Twachtman dated 1-25-05.

MOVED (BARBER), SECONDED (HOFFMAN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR #IW200515 & #IW200514 – DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.

MOVED (BARBER), SECONDED (FLANNERY) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE #IW200515 – DEVELOPMENT SERVICES. (EFFECTIVE DATE JULY 5, 2005)

MOVED (BARBER), SECONDED (FLANNERY) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE WITH CONDITION #IW200514 – DEVELOPMENT SERVICES.

CONDITION: PLANS FOR THE OBSERVATION PLATFORM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN ENGINEER FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. #IW200512 – Trim Out, LLC for a Permit to Conduct Regulated Activity within an Area of Influence for a 10' x 20' deck on property located at 30 Elizabeth Street, APN 019-126-0000.

MOVED (HOFFMAN), SECONDED (FLANNERY) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE #IW200512 – TRIM OUT, LLC.

2. #IW200516 – Richard Montovani for a Permit to Conduct Regulated Activity within an Area of Influence for a single family home on property located at 6 Lake Lane, APN 149-057-0000.

Jay Ussery, JR Russo & Associates reviewed the plan with the commission.

MOVED (BARBER), SECONDED (FLANNERY) AND PASSED (J. BURNS – RECUSED) TO MAKE A FINDING OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE AND APPROVE #IW200516 – RICHARD MONTOVANI.

3. #IW200519 – Peter Welti for a Permit to Conduct Regulated Activity within an Area of Influence for a shed and related improvements on property located at 32 Main Street, APN 064-008-0000.

PER REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT, THIS ITEM WAS CONTINUED TO THE JULY 18, 2005 MEETING.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

BY CONSENSUS, THE AGENCY ADDED TO THE AGENDA AND RECEIVED #IW200526—LANDMARK SURVEYS, LLC (CONSTRUCTION OF A HOME), #IW200527—BROOK CROSSING DEVELOPERS, LLC (8 LOT RESUBDIVISION), AND #IW200528—HEATHER HOLLY FARR (2 LOT SUBDIVISION).

1. #IW200520 – Connwood Foresters, Inc. for a Notification for timbering operation on property located on Snipsic Lake Road, APN 057-016-0000, 067-001-0000, 066-001-0002.

BY CONSENSUS, THE AGENCY RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FOR TIMBERING (#IW200520).

BY CONSENSUS, THE AGENCY RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:

2. #IW200521 – Angel Trace, LLC for a Permit to Conduct Regulated Activity within an Area of Influence to modify a previously approved detention basin to be located within the “Angel Trace” Subdivision, State Route 140, APN 110-018-0000.

Attorney Dori Flamigetti explained they are modifying the wetland permit. She handed in new plans to the commission and the commission had no problem with the revised plan. The Inland Wetland Commission reports to the Planning & Zoning Commission that after the 14 day petition and there are no objections the application will be approved at the next regular meeting.

Attorney Dori Flamigetti read Jim Thomspson’s letter dated 5/23/05.

3. #IW200522 – Town of Ellington for a Permit to Conduct Regulated Activity within an Area of Influence for placement of fill for road construction and to extend storm drainage outlet on property located at 59 Pinney Street, APN 017-020-0000.
4. #IW200523 – Christopher Mateya for a Permit to Conduct Regulated Activity within an Area of Influence for a deck and pool on property located at 15 Francis Avenue, APN 020-059-0000.
5. #IW200525 – Joseph MacVarish for a Permit to Conduct Regulated Activity within an Area of Influence for a 2 lot re-subdivision on property located on Crystal Lake Road, APN 083-018-0000.

PER THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT, THE AGENCY SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE JULY 18, 2005 MEETING.

6. Show Cause Hearing regarding possible revocation of Inland Wetlands Permit #IW200118; T & M Builders, Ellington Highlands Subdivision, Route 83/West Road.

BY CONSENSUS, THE AGENCY CONTINUED THE SHOW CAUSE HEARING TO THE JULY 18, 2005 MEETING.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes:
 - a. May 16, 2005 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOVED (BARBER), SECONDED (BURNS) AND PASSED TO APPROVE THE MAY 16, 2005 MEETING MINUTES.

- b. June 2, 2005 Special Meeting Minutes

TABLED TO THE JULY 18, 2005 MEETING.

- 2. Report on status of Shustock violation—379 Somers Road.

NO MOTIONS OR DECISIONS WERE MADE.

- 3. Correspondence:
 - a. The Journal for Surface Water Quality Professionals.
 - b. Memo to Fran VanTresse from Matt Davis dated, 6/10/05. (Snipsic Village Certificate of Zoning Compliance)
 - c. Letter to the Inland Wetlands Commission from James Thompson dated, 6/9/05. (Pioneer Builders)
 - d. Letter to Doug Nation from Jim Thompson dated, 5/13/05. (Shepard Subdivision)
 - e. CFL News, Connecticut Federation of Lakes.
 - f. Letter to Dennis Milanovich from Bruce Hoben dated, 5/6/05. (Plan of Conservation and Development)

NO MOTIONS OR DECISIONS WERE MADE.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED (BURNS), SECONDED (FLANNERY) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristin Michaud
Recording Secretary